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Ithough he lived in the 13th century, St. Francis of Assisi could very well have been speaking of Angelo Catenacci when he noted, "He who works with his hands is a laborer. He who works with his hands and his head is a craftsman. He who works with his hands, his head, and his heart is an artist." Catenacci, owner of Catenacci Construction, LLC, can easily be referred to as an artist. A Catenacci home means added value, quality construction and the commitment of expert builders who don't just build custom homes; they create masterpieces perfectly suited for the lifestyle and personality of the homeowner.

This exquisitely renovated 10,000 square foot custom home in Leawood stands as a testament to the unparalleled craftsmanship and artistry of Catenacci Construction, LLC. The original, nearly 20-year-old residence was less open and more boxed in with respect to its interior floorplan. Now, with its open footprint, high ceilings and expansive living areas, this home eagerly welcomes friends and family to enjoy relaxing in its casual warmth. What used to be a more traditional home, Catenacci transformed into a modern/contemporary space that sits among slightly wooded acres in Leawood, Kansas. The backyard is a private retreat with pool, outdoor kitchen area, two decks and a gazebo.

"The gazebo was originally there," noted Catenacci. "We simply extended the deck on the home."

While the outdoor living areas definitely get their fair share of use, the interior of the home is equally dynamic in terms of function, beauty and comfortable elegance.

"We took the original home down to the studs, changed the roof

lines and opened up the home, giving it a completely different personality," expressed Catenacci. "We created everything on the inside to reflect more of a modern appeal, incorporating lighter colors, higher ceilings and an open main staircase."



The home features eight bathrooms, six bedrooms, an office, a theater room, and even an indoor basketball court, and multiple areas to relax, gather, dine, and just enjoy the view. Catenacci relied on a variety of textures and materials to give this home its charm and vitality, adding touches of quartz, marble, hardwood floors, travertine and even some imported tiles from Italy. The interior design elements were provided by Lee Douglas Interiors, Inc.

Although Catenacci appreciates the dedicated team effort that brought this home to fruition and enjoys all aspects of its beauty and grandeur, he did refer to one area in the home that has somewhat pulled at his heartstrings.



"The lower level is a walkout design and has so many extras, such as a living area, play room, kitchen/bar area and indoor sport court," noted Catenacci. "It also has a beautiful wine cellar with cedar and stone accents."

Additionally, the lower level has two guest rooms and three full bathrooms. The primary living area boasts a concrete finished fireplace, perfect to use on those chilly winter nights. The adjoining bar area has a poured concrete counter top, designed not only for durability but also for the cleaner and unique look it provides. The attached shelving is comprised primarily of cedar, and the gray and white accents that abound throughout the space perfectly complement the modern design. Both the lower level and the upper level walk out to deck areas which overlook the gazebo, pool and expansive backyard.

The formal living room on the main level has a vaulted ceiling accented with black box wood beams and a floor to ceiling pass-through brick fireplace that was white washed on site. "We also created the walls on the main level with a rougher texture to play off the lighter colors in the space," noted Catenacci.

In the kitchen, the marble countertop on the island immediately draws one into this luxurious heart of the home, but the flooring deserves equal credit for its overall beauty as it continues to define the space. Catenacci incorporated 18" x 18" tiles on the diagonal and accented those with dark tile borders that resemble wood to achieve a contrasting and artistic effect. In addition to the main kitchen, a prep kitchen stands just to the side with a double oven, pantry and second refrigerator.

Also on the main level are the kitchen, laundry room, family room, formal living room, master suite, office and dining room. Upstairs are three additional bedrooms, three full bathrooms, another laundry room and a theater room in the attic area. Hardwood floors abound on the main level and in the upstairs hallway.

From top to bottom, the years of experience the Catenacci team has is evident at every turn in this home.



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